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Mr. James D. Wickwire
Plant Engineer
Pratt & Whitney Aircraft Group
Division of United Technologies
400 Main Street
East Hartford, Connecticut 06108

RE: Part B Application
Pratt & Whitney Aircraft Group

400 Main Street

East Hartford, Connecticut 06106

EPA I.D. No. CTD990672081

Dear Mr. Wickwire:

The Connecticut DEP has conducted an initial review of Pratt & Whitney Aircraft Group, 400 Main Street, East Hartford, Connecticut application under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) for a permit to store, treat and dispose of hazardous waste. A review of the application has been made to determine if the information submitted is complete under Section 25-54cc(c)-16 of the Connecticut Hazardous Waste Management Regulations and 40CFR Section 270. It has been determined that the application is incomplete and we have specified in our attachment to this letter the additional information needed.

Further processing of your permit will begin when this information is received. Please submit the necessary information within 45 days of receipt of this request. After DEP determines that the application is complete, any additional information requeste will be limited to that necessary to clarify, modify or supplement previously submitted material.

Your response to our comments may be in the form of a totally revised complete Part B application or revised pages which can be inserted into the original Part B submission.

If you choose to submit revised pages, please provide the following information:

- 1. Page numbers should be shown for the entire application;
- 2. For each page submitted, indicate if it is a revision to a page in the original submittal or a new page not contained in the original submittal; and
- 3. Date or code each page, for example: 32(R-5/7/84) means page 32 revised May 7, 1984.

Phone:

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All revisions to your Part B application must include a new certification with the appropriate signatures as required by 40CFR Section 270.11. Additionally, if you wish to claim confidentiality on any new information, please submit a claim in accordance with 40CFR Section 270.12.

If there are any questions, please call (203) 566-5712.

Sincerely,

Senior Sanitary Engineer

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Hazardous Waste Management Section

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cc: W. Torrey - EPA

A. Hoffman - EPA /

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 - a. Describe the conditions which are required for the activation of partial closure of this area.
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Itemize and provide a description of each of the costs (i.e., manpower, decontamination, equipment, transportation, etc.) for the closure of the three process areas. Cost restimate for 1981 is incorrect, correct and upgrade following cost estimates.

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References to federal agencies in the insurance certificate must be changed to the state equivalents.

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- A. Section M Storage of Containers (40 CFR §§270.15 and 264 Subpart I)
 - Adequate aisle space must be maintained to allow the unobstructed movement of personnel and emergency equipment in the barrel storage building and the barrel/transporter storage pad. Verify that aisle space is adequate.
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 - 1. Cyanides are listed in 40 CFR §261 Appendix VIII and are to be considered as principal organic hazardous constituents (POHCs) for the cyanide waste stream. The test protocol should be written to address this.
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Note: Data from the trial burn must be signed and certified by a principal executive officer of at least the level of vice president.

The present lack of cyanide incineration test data makes the method uncertain as an acceptable procedure for the disposal of cyanide wastes. Certain technical aspects of the burning may pose significant risk of injury to human health and the environment. Our concerns are as follows:

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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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J. F. KENNEDY FEDERAL BUILDING, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02203

August 10, 1984

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Call me at (617)223-5902 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Andrew Hoffman, Chemical Engineer

CT/RI Waste Programs Section

cc: Ed Parker

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